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# News Release

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## **Special Concessions Given to Hoosiers Serving in Military Combat Zones**

Military personnel serving in combat zones will receive automatic extensions of time both to file their Indiana state taxes and to renew their Indiana Commercial Drivers' Licenses while on active duty, the Indiana Department of Revenue has announced.

Military personnel will have **180 days after they leave the combat zone** to file their state tax returns. In order to receive the extension of time, they should write "**Combat Zone**" in large letters across the top of their returns and mail them to: Indiana Department of Revenue, **P.O. Box 2305**, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206-2305.

Returns from "Combat Zone" filers will be screened and processed separately, department officials say. (All late filers need to realize that an extension of time to file does not mean an extension of time to pay. State statute requires that 90% of estimated tax due be submitted by April 15, 2003.)

Click on "*Up to the Minute*" on the department's home Web page, [www.in.gov/dor/](http://www.in.gov/dor/), for more information on this special tax filing extension.

The department, in conjunction with the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles, is also granting extensions of time to members of the armed forces holding Commercial Drivers Licenses (CDL's) who are absent from the state on military orders when either their CDL's or physical examinations expire.

CDL drivers will have **90 days after their discharge from the military** for renewal and will not be required to take another written or skills test.

The new CDL policy is applicable to members of the National Guard, reserves, and regular military services who are returning from an initial term of enlistment. (Any service personnel who engaged in non-military commercial driving while on active duty must maintain a valid CDL at all times.)

For more information on this special CDL extension, contact the CDL Section of the Motor Carrier Services Division of the Indiana Department of Revenue, 5252 Decatur Blvd., Indianapolis, IN 46241, 317-615-7335.